

WEATHER

(Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Alabama: Fair and warmer tonight. Thursday fair. Warmer in east and south portions.

COTTON MARKET

(Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Cotton futures opened steady, Dec., 23.76; Jan., 23.95; Mar., 24.22; May 24.54; July 24.55

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SEN. NORRIS WILL FIGHT FOR HIS OWN BILL CHICAGO'S BIG ROUND-UP OF THUGS OPENS Holland-Blow Mill Will Be Rebuilt At Once

NO MORE HEARINGS ON MUSCLE SHOALS SENATOR DECLARIES

Will Present His Bill
and Urge Adoption
Nebraskan Says

HE WILL NOT HELP OTHER PROPOSALS

Denies That Fertilizer
Is Most Important
Feature of Project

(Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26—Chairman Norris, of the senate agricultural committee, who led the fight against Henry Ford's Muscle Shoals bid, and succeeded in having his own bill reported by the committee, declared today that as far as he was concerned, Muscle Shoals was a closed issue and he would not re-open the hearing unless ordered to do so by the senate.

He said he would present his bill to the senate and argue for its passage although he had heard of numerous new proposals for the development of the Alabama properties.

He said he would refuse to give them any consideration as he felt sufficient opportunity had been offered for the presentation of offers for Muscle Shoals and it was now time for congress to act.

The chairman disagreed with a number of senators who regard the primary purpose of Muscle Shoals as for the production of nitrogen for ammunition and fertilizer. Senator Norris said that at present the process of manufacturers of fertilizer is not sufficiently perfected to permit the government to underbid the private manufacturers and it would be "foolish" for the government to plan to produce larger amounts of fertilizer when there was no market for it."

Senator Norris pointed out that his bill set aside a liberal appropriation to convert one of the nitrate plants into a laboratory for experimentation in the fertilizer manufacture. The solution of the high price of fertilizer he declared, lies in concentrated fertilizer.

So far, he said, no practical process has been developed to produce satisfactory fertilizer in concentrated form and as a result high freight rates are added to the cost of the production, because the manufacturer is forced to mix from 80 to 90 per cent of sand and dirt as sile in the finished product.

Until such a process is developed, the Nebraska senator asserted it will be necessary to make some use of the vast power available at Muscle Shoals. The solution, he said, is in the distribution of the power over the Southern territory, giving the Southern manufacturer and householder the benefit of cheaper power rates.

He predicted that when the process for fertilizer manufacture had been perfected it would be found that power was only a secondary need for its production and it would not be possible to use all of the power generated on the Tennessee river for fertilizer.

The chairman explained that his bill provided for the construction of dam number three and storage reservoirs on the headwaters which would give the Tennessee river a more uniform flow, assuring a year around supply of power and aiding navigation.

He declared it was not economy to stop with the building of one dam and the other should be constructed by all means, so that all of the available power on the stream could be utilized.

MacMurray Is Named
Aide to Hughes



John Van A. MacMurray, of Princeton, N. J., Chief of the Far East Division of the State Department, has been appointed Assistant Secretary of State by President Coolidge, succeeding the late A. A. Adee. Mr. MacMurray is forty-three years of age and has been attached to the diplomatic service in Pekin and Tokio.

EQUIPMENT DAY, WILL BE OBSERVED

Special Offering will
Be Taken by Church
On December 14

The general assembly of the Presbyterian church U. S. has designated Sunday December 14th as the day on which an offering will be taken for the equipping of the missionaries of this church, at home and abroad. The goal is set for \$500,000; half of this sum is to go to foreign missions, and half to home missions.

The general council of home missions has agreed to distribute this amount on the basis of 30 per cent to assembly's home missions and 20 per cent to Synod's home missions. In Brazil, China, Africa, Japan, Korea, Mexico and Southern Presbyterian church has 519 missionaries at work in 52 stations and 1002 outstations. Those in authority have stated that this church has the best missionaries and the poorest equipment for them, of any Christian denomination.

And now the church is called upon to help build chapels, homes, hospitals, and in many cases to furnish water supplies to stations. The assembly's home mission committee of this church operates in 16 southern states, reaching people of 12 different nationalities with more than 800 missionaries. The church is called upon to erect additional church buildings with suitable equipment for the success of this great work, which grows more urgent every year. Christian Endeavors and other young people are asked to give definitely on December 14th to the Kwangju Girls' school in Korea and also to Beechwood Seminary at Heidelberg, Kentucky.

SISTERS FOUND DEAD

HOLTON, Maine, Nov. 26—Cynthia and Neota Foster, sisters, 14 and 10 years old, were found dead last night in a shack occupied by Harry Williams in the town of Fosterville, 18 miles from this town according to a report to the police here today. Williams who was arrested after an all-night search, is being held by the townspeople pending the arrival of the sheriff.

CORONER'S JURY TO BEGIN A PROBE OF DEATH OF BANKER

Body Is Found By Posse
In Mountains Near
Cabin Of Girl

NOTE DISCOVERED NEAR THE SCENE

Death Believed to Have
Been Caused By Blow
On Back Of Head

(Associated Press)

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Nov. 26—Miss Mary Watkins approaching the witness stand at a coroner's inquest, to be held here today, confessed ignorance of the circumstances surrounding the death of her employer, William R. Fee, Alhambra bank president.

His body was found yesterday by a searching party in the San Bernardino mountains, near a cabin maintained by Miss Watkins.

Sheriff W. R. Shay believed the banker was murdered.

Mr. Fee had been missing since last Saturday, when he journeyed to the mountains with his wife. The body of Mr. Fee was found 50 yards from the cabin occupied by Miss Watkins and a half mile from the cabin occupied by the Fees.

Miss Watkins said that an affectionate note, signed Mary, found near the body of the banker was without significance.

Back of the banker's left ear was found a small skull fracture, such as might have been caused by a blow from a sandbag, or blackjack.

Others subpoenaed to testify include Joseph Walker, Miss Polly Bell and Paul Kennedy, who were at Miss Watkins' cabin Saturday night and Sunday and Mrs. Fee, who caused a search to be started for her husband when he disappeared.

TROOPS CONTINUE TO GUARD NEGRO

Crowd Gathered At the
Jail But Disorder
Still Is Absent

(Associated Press)

NEWBURN, N. C., Nov. 26—Troops today continued to guard Craven county jail where John Gogrette, negro, charged with having fatally injured Edna Williams, 12 year old school child, when his automobile ran over her on a public highway about 11 miles from here late yesterday afternoon, is being held. The troops were ordered out by Governor Morrison last night on request of Sheriff J. D. Williams, of Craven county following reports received from the section near the little girl's home that attempts might be made to lynch Gogrette.

Several hundred persons gathered near the jail during the evening, but there was no disorder.

Goddette is said to have been traveling at a fast rate of speed when his car struck the little girl, who was on her way from school with several companions.

She was brought to a Newburn hospital but died shortly after reaching there. A warrant was sworn out for the negro's arrest by her grandfather. Sheriff Williams said information reaching him was to the effect that Goddette stopped after the accident and offered to bring the girl to a hospital.

The coroner's jury will meet today to investigate the killing.

BURNED PLANT TO BE REPLACED WITH MODERN MACHINES

The Decision to Rebuild
Announced Today
By J. N. Gibson

OLD EMPLOYEES WILL BENEFIT

Much of Reconstruction
Will Be Done By
Plant Workers

The decision today of the Holland-Blow Stave company to re-build their plant partially destroyed by the recent fire, came as another reason for Thanksgiving to the people of the Twin Cities.

The management arrived at the decision late yesterday, and work was begun this morning, according to a statement issued by vice president J. N. Gibson this morning.

The plant will be replaced at a cost upward of \$25,000 and it is proposed to equip it in the most up-to-date manner. The completed factory will be almost entirely new, and it will be equipped with practically the same type of machinery as it had originally.

The work of rebuilding will be rushed as much as possible to take care of demand for its products. It is estimated that operation will begin by Christmas, and the work will be practically finished within 60 days.

V. J. Blow, president of the corporation, before returning to his home in Philadelphia Tuesday afternoon, stated that he was well satisfied with all adjustments. He said he believed the supply of material for operation here to be sufficient for 5 to 10 years.

The local mill was the original plant of the Holland-Blow Stave Co., Inc., and is now the home office. It was founded in 1903 and has been doing business since that time without a shut down until it was destroyed on November 11 by the most spectacular fire witnessed here for some time.

The factory has been one of the steadiest sources of employment in the Twin Cities for the past 21 years using from 50 to 60 men steadily.

"No contracts have been let for the rebuilding, as it is intended that as

KICK FROM HORSE FATAL TO FARMER; FUNERAL IS HELD

John Prickett Laid To Rest Tuesday At Antioch Church

HURT SATURDAY AT SIX MILE HOME

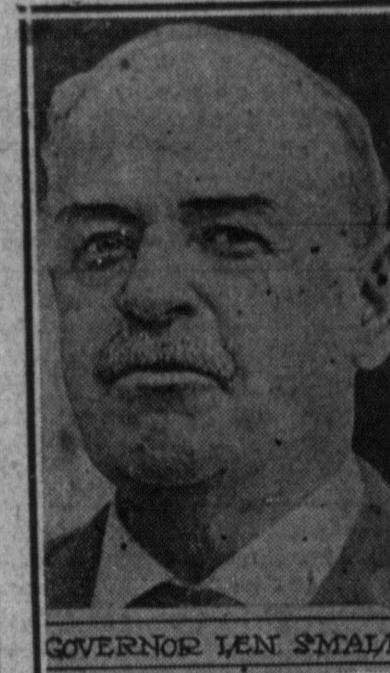
Skull Crushed By the Vicious Blow From Animal's Hoof

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. R. Francis at Antioch church at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon for John U. Prickett, who died at the hospital here, as a result of a kick in the head by a horse at his home in the Six Mile neighborhood in the eastern section of the county.

Mr. Prickett, who was a well-known farmer, was hurt last Saturday. Realizing the serious nature of the wound, he was rushed to the hospital here and given every medical attention. The examination here revealed that the skull was crushed and little hope was ever held for his recovery.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters, Mrs. Ed Stanwell of Birmingham; Mrs. N. E. Stanwell and Mrs. J. R. Beaver, of Eva.

Seeking to Remove Illinois Governor



GOVERNOR LEN SMALL

GIGANTIC RAIDING SQUADS 'CLOSING' CITY WEDNESDAY

All Authorities Move
To Bring the Crime
Wave To End

SUSPECTED GANG HANGOUTS CLOSED

Many Resorts Already
Had Locked Doors
Before the Visit

(Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Nov. 26—Raiding forces combining resources of the state's attorney's office, sheriff and police departments have begun what officials plan to be the most concentrated drive against criminals Chicago has ever known.

Squads last night and early today visited all sections of the city and its suburbs, closing suspected places and arresting caretakers.

Owners of some resorts, the raiders reported, had already locked their doors and deserted the premises.

Michael Hughes, former detective chief, who resigned after he was transferred to an outlying section, said he would withdraw his resignation.

The coroner's jury investigating the death of Eddie Tanci, shot Sunday, and Dean O'Banion, shot two weeks ago, continued its inquiry into organized crime, after visiting Tanci's home yesterday.

Tanci's funeral was set for today.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26—William Altir was hurled several feet into the air, his clothing was torn to shreds and he was probably fatally injured today when a bomb exploded near his house as he was passing on his way to work.

Several other persons were slightly injured and windows and furniture were broken by the concussion. The bomb was exploded at the entrance of a store on the first floor of a 16 story apartment building.

Forty five persons lived in the building and many of them were cut by broken glass and plaster.

Batteries found a block away were used to set off the bomb, according to the police.

The store against which the bomb apparently was aimed, is owned by Aleck Apuzzo, butcher and grocer who said he was unable to account for the blast, asserting he had received no threats of warnings.

WOMEN DEMAND HIGHWAY BEAUTY

Federation Sponsors
Improvement Of
Landscapes

(Associated Press)

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 26—A campaign in the interest of beautifying the highways of the state is being sponsored by the Alabama Federation of Women's clubs. Action has already been taken in several cities for this work it has been announced here.

The undertaking has been endorsed by the State Highway Department and Major Page S. Bunker, state forester has agreed to assist in planting trees along many of the roadways, according to Mrs. I. T. Quinn, director of the division of highway beautification of the state federation.

"While our commissioners are endeavoring to build our roads and giving their attention to the kinds of surfaces, etc., it is not fitting that the women of the state should interest themselves in beautifying the unsightly appearance of most of our highways?" Mrs. Quinn asked in explaining the program of the federation.

"Although the work is in its infancy," she said, "the Axis Club of Gadsden is going to plant ten miles of trees, from Gadsden to the St. Clair county line; Ensley in from Ensley to Birmingham; Woodlawn is taking up the work. At a meeting of the board of directors of the Montgomery city federation they voted to beautify a stretch. We want to interest Mobile in beautifying some stretch, probably the John Craft highway," Mrs. Quinn added.

Clopton Re-elected By Ice Cream Men

J. W. Clopton has just returned from New Orleans, where he was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the Southern Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers for the sixth consecutive term.

S. M. Sutton, of Vicksburg, Miss., was elected president, J. D. Kinett, of Macon, Ga., vice president, and one director was elected from each state.

The organization is made up of five southern states. In December 1925 the convention will meet in Lexington, Kentucky.

TWO STORES BURN IN FALKVILLE FIRE

Local Department To
Scene To Save the
Ellenen Station

A fire of unknown origin last night destroyed the Cook Grocery company and the Waldrop Barber Shop at Falkville. The losses are practically total, according to reports, with no information available as to insurance. The burned buildings were the only wooden structures in the block, but several brick buildings were nearby. Active efforts of local citizens prevented the spread of the fire. The Louisville and Nashville fire department of the Twin Cities was called out to insure the safety of the L. & N. depot at Falkville.

The destroyed buildings were located on the east side of the L. & N. R. R. and just north of the Owl Drug Company's store.

Classified Ads and Business Directory

WANTED TO BUY—A good pump gun or automatic for hunting. Must be reasonable for cash. J. A. Thornhill.

FOR SALE—Deeds, Mortgages, legal papers, rentals, collections, loans, and all real estate business looked after by J. A. Thornhill.

FOR SALE—*Alv. 26*

FOR SALE—5 room house, 2 1/2 acres of land on Danville pike, one mile from town, \$3,500. A 7-room house, 107 Prospect Drive, \$4,500. Phone Albany 474. See Otto or Joe Petey. 25-31

FOR RENT—Room furnished for light housekeeping. Call Albany 152 W or see H. L. Kirby. 26-31

FOR SALE—Flemish Giant Rabbits cheap. Apply 208 Ninth st, south Albany. Lewis Penland 26-31

FOR SALE—NEW congeum rug woolen rug, upright heater, four burner oil stove, kitchen cabinet, mahogany chiffrobe. Apply 71 3rd Ave., west, Albany. 31

FOR SALE—I have paper white Narcissus in bloom for sale. Very cheap. Phone 295-J. Miss Lydia Rainey, 206 W. Pond St., Decatur. 26-31

FOR SALE—cheap, cash or terms, typewriters, Underwood No. 5 Monarch, L. C. Smith & Bros. Al standard machines. See F. L. Nebrig, Nebrig Furniture company, Malone Building.

FURNITURE FOR SALE—Three piece fibre living room set, spring cushion seats, new in June. Will sell at sacrifice. Leaving town Phone Decatur 284-L-3. 25-21

FOR SALE—5th Ave., West, at \$2,250; 2nd Ave., west, at \$2,100; 6th Ave., west, at \$2,500; small farm close in at \$5,000; 7th Ave. South, at \$2,850, will accept \$1,000 home on last one as first payment. J. A. Thornhill.

FOR SALE—My 5 room home and lot on Eleventh Ave., west, Decatur, can be bought at a reasonable price, terms can be arranged. See or write C. M. Butler, Eleventh Ave., West, Decatur, Ala. 24-61

FOR SALE—Player piano, good as new. Bargain. Call Albany 222-W 22-31

FOR SALE—Sweet cream for whipping. Cartwright Drug Co. 21-61

FOR SALE—A Chase piano, built by players, at a bargain; on terms; can be seen at 621 Canal St., Phone Decatur 92-W. 18-11

FOR RENT—Windshields any cars by C. E. Malone. 27-11

FOR RENT

Brick store building located on Walnut street. Suitable for milk depot, delicatessen, and light grocery. Equipped with water, light and steam. Apply to J. W. Clopton at the Decatur Ice Cream and Creamery Company.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms and private bath. Use of telephone and garage, 418 Johnston street. 24-31

FOR RENT—Two 5 room upstairs apartments, with bath, centrally located, rented \$22.50 and \$25 per month; 6 room house at 103 6th Ave., north, \$30 per month. L. B. Wyatt & Son. 25-31

ONE-HUNDRED-FORTY-FOUR HOUR SERVICE

FOR RENT—Down stairs apartment of 3 large rooms, pantry, back porch; modern conveniences; private entrance. 430 Grant Street. Phone Albany 222-J. 31

FOR RENT—Two or three furnished or unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping, steam heat, bath and electric lights, centrally located. Phone Albany 506-J. 24-31

FOR RENT—Reasonably priced furnished bedrooms, at 302 Jackson St., phone Albany 454. 22-61

FOR RENT—Upstairs apartment, 216 E. Church Street; three good rooms, hall, sleeping porch, bath room, kitchenette, with water boiler and gas heater. Cartwright Drug Co. 21-61

FOR RENT—1425 5th Ave., S., at \$15, large home and 5 acres land at \$35; large house several lots Fairview at \$22.50. Will lease either for 1925. J. A. Thornhill.

WANTED

WANTED—A good housekeeper to do light housekeeping and take care of two children, one seven years old and the other four years of age, good home and reasonable wages. Apply at 1505 Sixth Ave. after 3:45 o'clock for conference. 24-31

LOST OR FOUND

LOST—Minister's hand grip, containing pair trousers, books and other articles. Address Thos. McElvy, Route 2, Box 4, Moulton, Ala. 25-61

LOST—Spectacles on Ferry St., or 2nd Ave. Sunday morning; finder please return to Miss M. R. Leadham, 720 Line St., and receive reward. 25-61

LOST—Black bull dog, weight about 80 pounds. \$15.00 reward for return to N. W. George, Lafayette street, Decatur. Name of Abe Powell on collar. 20-31

LOST—Two female spotted hounds; lost near Decatur and Trinity Mountain; reward offered for same. D. S. Echols, Decatur, Alabama. 20-31

LOST—Pocketbook between telephone office and Third Ave., w. contained money, watch, keys, pencil and pen. Reward for return to Mrs. Lovelady at telephone office. 24-31

LOST—A pocketbook containing 6 one dollar bills on Moulton street Saturday afternoon. Return to Daily office and receive reward. 24-31

MISCELLANEOUS

I HAVE just returned from five months with the Taylor Painting Company, Phoenix, Ariz., the most popular Decorative Combination there is. Tiffany Blended Walls with woodwork in silver grey stipple and floor mahogany grained. The walls can be done over old paper or calcimine and the price ranges from \$42.00 to \$48.00, according to size of room for the complete job. If interested, phone Albany 603, Ernest C. Lee, Painter and Paper Hanger. 22-61

Wheel goods of many kinds for the little folks. Make your selection now. Carrell Furniture Co. 24-31

Fine comforts and blankets for your winter's needs sold on easy payments, if desired. Carrell Furniture Co. 24-31

JUST GENERAL—2 for rent, money to loan, fire insurance of the best, deeds, all kinds legal papers written, real estate dealings of all kinds, collections. J. A. Thornhill.

BLUE RIBBON SHOP, Phone Albany 200 and have your shoes repaired. We call for and deliver your work, also carry a line of good second hand shoes. All repair work guaranteed to give satisfaction. 704 Second Avenue. 21-61

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Albany, Ala.

SPORTS

Curtain Comes Down Thanksgiving Day As Ancient Rivals Play Off Grid Affairs

The regular Thanksgiving battles will be engaged in on Thursday when the old time rivals of years and years meet on various gridirons through the south, east and west.

The headliner of the day in southern circles is the championship row between Georgia and Alabama. The Crimson will not have the advantage

of any reserve power for the Bulldog is bringing three teams to Birmingham to insure against this trouble. Alabama, smarting under the defeat handed them by Center, is due to stage a comeback and as proof of their belief in this fandom is backing Alabama in the face of the overwhelming defeat handed Georgia last year when they were slated to give the Tide a real tussle. Vanderbilt has sent the Champ Pickens trophy, won by them last year, to Birmingham for the two teams to battle over.

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DAILY MAGAZINE PAGE FOR EVERYBODY

A WIFE'S CONFESSIONAL
Adele Garrison's New Phase of
Revelations of a Wife

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The News with Which
Dicky Met Madge.

EDITH'S second telephone message, while it held no especially good news, at least contained no fresh cause for alarm. Mother Graham was still unconscious. Edith reported, but they had been able to secure a competent physician who was working over her, and he had now just arrived on the way to the house. The physician, of course, would give no verdict as yet, but there was that in Edith's voice which told me that she was not so frightened as she had been.

"How soon can you leave?" she asked, when she had finished giving me the essential news.

"Within ten minutes," I promised, and then for the first time, so urgent had seemed the need for haste on my part, I thought of the person whose enlightenment should have been first in my thoughts.

"Does Dicky know?" I asked.

Edith's Request.

"Oh, of course," she answered promptly—too promptly my jealous heart whispered, while I flushed at my own meanness of spirit. "I telephoned Dicky even before I did you, but I couldn't get hold of him until a few minutes ago. He's rushing out by taxi. Is there any message you wish me to give him?"

"Nothing except that I'm coming in as quickly as I can," I answered. "By the way, I shall have to bring Junior and Marion with me, so I thought it would be a good idea to bring Katie along also, subject, of course, to your approval."

"That will be splendid," she commented with apparent heartiness, and even my captious spirit could find no flaw in her cordial manner. "I'll tell Dicky. Do you want to hear how we found your mother-in-law?"

"I don't think I ought to wait to hear it," I answered. "I suppose, of course, it's something you think I ought to hear before I come down."

"But it isn't," she said quickly, "and I won't keep you any longer. Oh, by the way, will you bring your electric heating pad and one of those tiny electric grills? We don't know what we may need here."

Her request puzzled me a bit, for I knew the Durkee household to be extremely well appointed, but naturally the only contribution made was a promise to bring the things she had requested. Then we exchanged hasty good-bys, and a moment later I bade adieu to Dr. Pettit, noticeably restive now that there was no more need of his professional services.

"Will you tell Mrs. Blackett where I have gone, when you go to the hospital today?" I asked at parting, and he gave me a meticulous promise to inform Katherine of what had happened.

"She's asking for you!"

Those precious minutes of the ten I had set aside in watching his stiff, ungraceful figure climb into his car, and wondering how any man could combine such rare sympathy and professional skill with so stiff and repellent a social personality. I gave up the answer to the problem, as I had done many times before, and hurried through my preparations for departure, for the second time within twenty-four hours leaving Jim the sole occupant of the farm.

Though I drove as fast as I dared it was mid-afternoon when we reached the Durkee home, and I realized, as I turned into the driveway, that the hard-worked simile of "heart in one's throat" had lost no whit of its truth. My own throat was so dry and constricted with fear that I found myself

REASONS FOR THANKSGIVING :- By Juanita Hamel



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FOR health, for contentment, for love—how the hearts of countless happy beings leap in thanksgiving preparatory to the day that lies beyond tomorrow's dawn! Those who are to have their first Thanksgiving Feast together—those to whom

any dinner on any ordinary day seems a special feast when they partake of it together—find in that joyous fact a new reason for thanksgiving to add to all the other reasons that make THIS THE finest Thanksgiving Day they have ever known!

self pressed for breath by the time I brought the car to a stop, I had had no need to do so, we started, not wishing to delay our arrival because of stopping to telephone, and almost anything might have happened during those hours.

I suppose my face must have reflected my great fear, for when Dicky ran down the steps almost before I had reached them, evidently having been watching for us, he exclaimed:

"It's all right, she's conscious and better, and she wants you to come up to her right away. She's been asking for you ever since she regained consciousness. So she doesn't want to see anybody else. Perhaps you can get out of her what it was that frightened her so. She won't say a word to any of us."

Marion tugged at my sleeve, and I turned to see Junior's little face quivering with frightened grief.

"What's the matter with my friend?" he demanded with a burst of sobs, and his mother caught him up in his arms while I took his tiny, nervously-twisting hands in mine, and held them firmly while I talked to him.

"Granze's all right," I soothed him, "and you shall see her just as she is. Mother finds out what she wants. Granze fell down just as you do sometimes and hurt herself, but the doctor has made her better, and you must be a good, brave boy, for if she knew you were crying this way it would make her worse."

WINIFRED BLACK WRITES ABOUT Your Thanksgiving

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WHAT kind of a day will you have for Thanksgiving—in your part of the country?

Cold and bright, with just enough snap in the air to make a good big fire—the best friend in the world—the ground beginning to freeze a little—and all around the foot of the maples and the oak and the big old sycamores great heaps of Autumn leaves, scarlet and gold and rich brown—as if some king had cast his wornout cloak away before he bought his new suit of ermine?

Smoke in the air—blue smoke—and everywhere the smell of burning leaves. Cornstalks in the shock, the big yellow pumpkins in the field and the old farmhouse fairly bursting with good cheer and good will and hospitality and light-hearted happiness?

Or is it a cold, drizzling, soggy day, with the wind blowing a gale and the rain beating a tattoo on the windows?

What? You live in the city and aren't even invited to the country for Thanksgiving? Poor you! But, anyhow, let's make the best of it.

Strangers for dinner? Not if there's a third cousin and an aunt by marriage left in the world. Thanksgiving Day is home day—or ought to be.

Let's Gather Them Around Us.

Let's see—how long since you've seen old Aunt Katy, the one who used to make the cookies you liked when you were just starting to school?

Wonder what she's going to do to-morrow? They say she's not so well off as she might be and a good deal of a crank. Well, maybe you'd be a crank if you were alone and old and poor and nobody loved you.

Let's whirl down to Aunt Katy's and carry her off to Thanksgiving dinner willy-nilly, and when we get her there let's not sit and talk over her head about jazz parties and somebody in the Follies and some book some friend has written. Let's talk Aunt Katy-talk to Aunt Katy; let's make her feel that she's well-loved and appreciated, after all. Let's make her see that we remember those cookies and let's ask her to bake us a batch of them for Christmas.

Just watch Aunt Katy's face light up—it will be worth the effort.

Old Cousin John lives at a grand club downtown—he's probably got a dozen invitations for dinner, but he may be lonesome and want to see some of his old kith again for all that.

Cousin John has a heart in his breast—if he is a rich old bachelor with all the scheming mamas after him for their daughters.

Don't make a fuss over him, so he'll think you're after his money. Let's just be human for once and act as if we thought he was human, too. How do you know how tired he is of the pretense and the falsity and the shallow nonsense that must get pretty tiresome to him sometimes.

The marionettes of Sicily are operated by families who have passed their art on from father to son. As soon as they are old enough to toddle, the children learn to hold the strings by which the puppets are worked in their little fingers. By the time they are old enough to be of real use they know everything about the staging, costuming, making and operating of the marionettes.

The whole family participates in the production. The father sets the stage and manipulates the strings. The sons repair the armors of the toy knights, the daughters make the costumes and the mother provides the incidental music.

ADVICE TO GIRLS

By ANNIE LAURIE

DEAR ANNIE LAURIE:

I am a girl in my teens and have never been to a party because my parents do not approve of my going out.

People tell me that I am going to be an old maid because nobody loves me for me. Please, dear Annie Laurie, tell me is this true, or is there a chance for me yet in this world?

SNOWDROP: You need pay no attention to people who say such unkind and untrue things. You are still very young and have dressed to her in care of this office.

Three-Minute Journeys

By Temple Manning

WHERE A PLAY MAY RUN AN ENTIRE YEAR.

WHEN one of our theatrical producers finds that his new play lasts more than three hours, he immediately devotes all of his energies to cutting it down. The patience of his audience will not survive anything as long as this or perhaps the train schedule will force many to leave in the middle of the performance if it is too long.

But life in Sicily is more leisurely. The Sicilians have more time to enjoy their pleasures and they take



How the Marionette Is "Worked."

the greatest delight in protracting them over a long space of time.

One of the most popular forms of amusement in this famous island is the marionette theatre. Perhaps you have seen a marionette performance. There is a fascination about these little puppets that isundeniable. They seem so human with their little knowing gestures, their bows and dances.

The dwellers of Palermo who

Last-Minute Beauty Hints for Thanksgiving

By LUCREZIA BORI
The Famous Spanish Prima Donna

TO the housewife Thanksgiving means a day that is spent in creating happiness for others.

She bustles about for days ahead planning the menu, her Thanksgiving dinner and ordering the supplies that will be necessary. More often than not, she invites others to share in the family Thanksgiving,

and the invited guests are usually those who have not a family Thanksgiving dinner of their own to which to look forward.

This is why I believe the housewife deserves special consideration on this day, and why I have planned a last-minute beauty hint or two to meet her special needs!

If you have been peeling vegetables, slicing fruits and chopping onions for the salad you will doubtless find that your hands are stained and discolored from your activities. When you remove your apron and prepare to take your place at the Thanksgiving dinner table and preside as the gracious hostess you will want to remove these stains. Send now to the drug store for the following mixture and have it neat at hand to use:

Peroxide of zinc 1 ounce
Glycerine 1 dram
Rose-water 4 ounces
Essence of rose 15 drops

Sift the zinc and cover it with just enough rose-water to dissolve it. Now add the glycerine, then the remainder of the rose-water. Shake well.

Wash your face with warm water, then rinse it with clear cold water. Wet your cloth with this cold water and hold it to your face as it is refreshing and helps tone your muscles. Now dry your face with a soft towel. Shake the liquid powder well and apply it lightly to your face with a soft sponge or antiseptic gauze. Wipe your face again with the soft towel before the liquid dries, to apply it evenly, so there will be no danger of streaking.

This will help you to preside at your Thanksgiving table looking your beauty-best.

Annie Laurie will welcome letters from young women readers of this paper and will reply to them in these columns.

Letters to Miss Laurie should be addressed to her in care of this office.

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YOUR HEALTH

Here Are Scientific Facts About Kissing and Disease

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.,
United States Senator from New York,
Former Commissioner of Health, New York City.



PERHAPS you read the order which has been issued by the Soviet Commissioner of Health in Russia, forbidding kissing. He contends that this is a prolific means of spreading disease.

This cruel man objects even to the custom of kissing a lady's hand. In line with this, in many departments of the government, handshaking has been prohibited. The conventional salute is recommended.

The Commissioner goes the whole route. He advocates a ban on smoking. He urges smokers to give up tobacco and to take candy instead.

There is nothing original about these suggestions. Every time we have an epidemic, there are many doctors who rise up to contend that kissing and handshaking should be prohibited. These restrictions were strongly urged during the recent influenza epidemics.

There can be no doubt that acute infections like common colds, influenza, scarlet fever, measles, mumps, diphtheria and pneumonia are transmitted by means of the moist secretions of the nose and mouth. Of course kissing makes transfer merely possible but easy.

It will be difficult to change the practices of this generation. The particular customs referred to here are so firmly grounded that he is a brave Commissioner of Health who would dare to change them.

It is a pity there is not universal knowledge and practice of the things that make for good health and long life. Then if we really believe certain things about the transmission of disease, why do we not practice them?

When you have a cold or one of the diseases I have mentioned, be careful to have the glasses, china and other utensils you use in eating, carefully boiled. This will protect others against your particular ailment. The toilet articles must be used with equal care. The wash-

bowl, towel and soap must be cleaned after your use of them.

When there are epidemics of any sort, you should take the greatest pains to wash your hands frequently and always do so before you eat. This should be your habit, of course, at all times. On your return home at night wash your hands, face and the inside of your nostrils with soap and lots of water. Brush your teeth thoroughly.

If you will do this every time you go home, a reasonable amount of kissing in your family may do no particular harm. If the kiss or the kisser has a cold, then it is probable that misery will have company.

With scrupulous cleanliness as the universal practice of the human family, the acute infections will grow less and kissing will be safer.

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Answers to Health Questions

H. E. K. Q.—Is veronal a habit-forming drug?

A.—It depends upon how often you take it and for what purpose. If advised by a competent physician for a specific condition it should not prove harmful.

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Tomorrow's HOROSCOPE

By Genevieve Kemble

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27.

According to the peculiar quality of the planetary influences dominant in Thanksgiving, singular or composite experiences or events may be expected. Although the prevailing force comes from the eccentric and always intriguing Neptune, who operates in the most erratic manner, he is in friendly mood, especially for new projects, diplomatic negotiations of all transactions and for secret orders and closed corporations. Saturn is also friendly, but Mars joins a care as to tongue, temper and law. Likewise shun travel, possibility of change and accident.

Those whose birthday it is have the best of a year of peculiar events and experiences, not of necessity adverse if care taken not to precipitate quarrels, rash acts and litigation. Also be careful as to physical safety. Calm and close attention to business may forestall complications. A child born on this day is likely to be versatile, clever and have unusual phases of talent or character, but may be rash, troublesome and hard to manage unless well trained in youth.

Today's Fashion

By VERA WINSTON



Note the Diamond Design in This Post-Thanksgiving Dress of Terra Cotta Crepe.

THE smart terra cotta tone is very effective when it appears in a frock for chilly afternoons of Winter.

The dress here is bright and youthful in feeling. It is made all of the terra cotta crepe except for three diamond shapes of black satin that mark the front of the hem.

The stitching is done in gold thread and it makes small diamond designs on the sleeves and larger ones on the front of the frock.

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A DAILY PRAYER—We pray Thee, we may realize Thou art just, and hence that Thou would not inspire us to be good, unless Thou wast able and willing to make us so.

The election went off very quietly but with too much power to suit loyal democrats.

Many single men as well as others are now becoming married to crossword puzzles.

Since the advent of the auto it is never safe to count your chickens before they have crossed the road.

John W. Davis is proud he was born on the same day as the founder of the democratic party. But is there such a party outside the solid south?

Thanksgiving day is the 331st one of the present year, that gives some idea how near Christmas is.

It will be pretty hard to get up speed after leaving corners, and congested districts in the Twin Cities, as those things are so numerous among us.

Because they murdered Sir Oliver Stack, the Egyptians have been forced to concede about every thing except the Pyramids, and the Nile river.

We are getting plenty of newspaper talk to the effect that the Shoals matter is to be forced through congress at the coming session. Southern senators insist they are not going to allow the issue to be sidetracked. That's place of priority on the calendar of the senate will be maintained no matter what turn may be necessary for a settlement. This is a melodious manifesto to the ears of local residents. That is exactly what we want "nothing else but." Such a consummation is devoutly to be wished. For as it would be convergence of the trial and the rainbow at a common point. It is a siren song, too good to be true, but few have the courage to turn away. So here is hopin' that it will all end like a story book and that everybody will be happy ever after.

By another year we can begin to advertise Lake Wilson as a summer resort and sportsman's paradise. The beautiful shores of this magnificent body of water will begin to attract the tourist and the cottager and the water itself will lure the angler and the huntsman. Almost before we are aware of it, we will have visitors in such numbers that we will be utterly unable to care for them. It is therefore high time that we proceed with the hotel project. The need is becoming daily more

apparent yet we are no nearer the goal than we were a month ago. The folks of the community are thoroughly sold on the necessity of this improvement and will never co-operate any better than at this time to bring it about. Delays are always dangerous where mass psychology is concerned. And in this waiting. Marking time now is losing time for nothing can be gained thereby. If we are going to put this thing over at all there is imperative need for action.—Florence News.

THURSDAY AMERICA RETURNS
THANKS FOR HER MANY BLESSINGS

Thursday—America again will pause in the midst of her busy activity and devote a day to returning thanks to Him from whom all blessings flow. Thursday is Thanksgiving, a day of feasting and prayer, a day the observation of which was born in a simple desire of the early pioneers to give thanks to God.

The methods of celebration of Thanksgiving have changed greatly since first the Puritans invited the Indians to share their feast, but it is Thanksgiving yet. As a holiday it probably ranks next to Christmas in America, for our nation, indeed, has much to be thankful for. Our state and our community have many things for which they are thankful every year. As individuals there are very few of us who are not thankful to God for what he has done for us in the preceding year.

There is a stirring old hymn which says:
"Count your many blessings, one by one.
'Co'unt your many blessings, see what God has done."

The sentiment is typical of Thanksgiving. It is a day of counting blessings.

Here in Albany-Decatur, as a community, we have many things to be thankful for. We have just enjoyed a beautiful fall, a season which made crops bountiful. Our industries have recovered from the summer slump and now are operating full time, giving to their many employees steady employment. Our merchants report retail business is improving. We seem on the threshold of a period of real prosperity for all. It is good to live in Albany-Decatur. Let us be thankful.

STILL SPEAKING ABOUT
MUSCLE SHOALS' FUTURE

One of the questions of American history perhaps never to be answered, is why did those said to favor the development of Muscle Shoals for the greatest good to the greatest number keep the Ford bid from coming to a vote. Now that Ford has withdrawn from the field, those who knew and realized the value of his bid, in an important sense refuse to be comforted by assurances made now, that all elements are uniting to see that the Shoals are properly developed. Unless a miracle, to have any agency, or any man at the Shoals, other than Ford, will be like eating warmed over bread. Of course, if Ford is never to be interested in bidding for the Shoals again, the quicker all hands forget their disappointments the better. It is gratifying to note that Senator Underwood clings to the idea and belief that the power at Muscle Shoals shall not be vended out, but used to produce war making material, if necessary, and for making crop growing material all the time. The American people will never be satisfied with the disposition of the Shoals unless they are made to produce every pound of fertilizer possible. Certainly this will remain the case until it shall appear that the soils of the American farmers are as rich as they need to be. The people are not averse to plenty of electric lights, plenty of power for industrial purposes, but first and foremost, the American people want more farm produce. They want no less of the results of electricity as it is sold, but they want more, a great deal more done by electricity in the taking of nitrogen from the air and making it available for plant life.

Senator Ladd, and men of his kind, always favorable to the Ford bid should have let politics go hang, and should have accepted the Ford bid while Ford was in the right notion. However good and faithful the men may be in the future for the right use of the Shoals power, if their records do not show that they did all within their power to get the senate to vote favorable to the Ford bid, just as the house did, the names of such men have no high place with the independent voters of this nation.

THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR PERFECTION

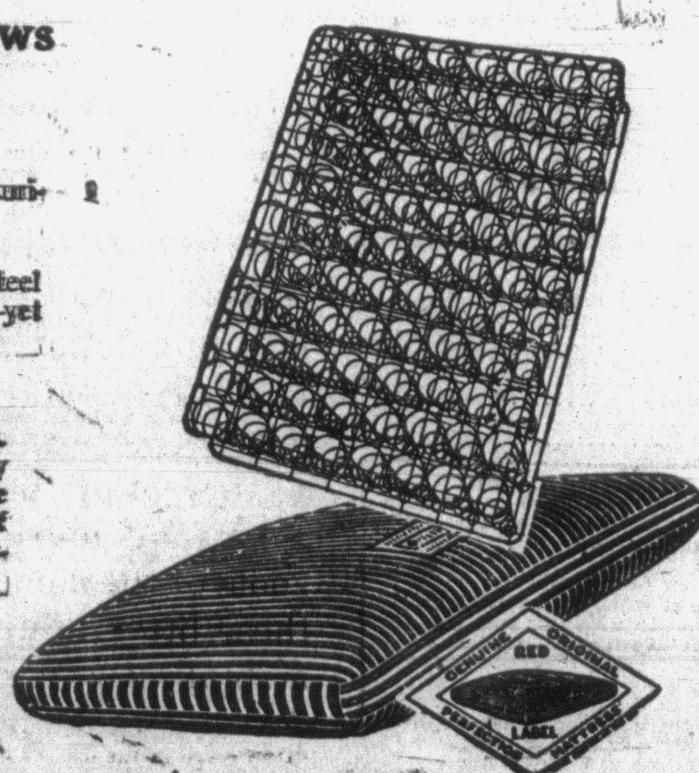
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BABY MEMBER OF CONGRESS



ANDREW L. SOMERS & FAMILY

Andrew L. Somers, Democrat, elected to Congress from the Sixth District of Brooklyn, N. Y., is shown here with his wife and their two children. Mr. Somers will be the baby of the Congress, being only thirty-nine years old, just six days younger than Representative V. M. Chapman, Republican, of Kentucky.

EGYPTIAN PROTEST
SENT TO LEAGUE

Parliament's President
Signs Message To
League Secretary

(Associated Press)

GENEVA, Nov. 26.—A telegram of protest against the British action in Egypt following the assassination of the sirdar, Sir Lee Stack, was received today by the secretary of the League of Nations from the Egyptian parliament under the signature of the president of that body.

The text indicates that a similar message had been forwarded to all world parliaments. The telegram does not request intervention by the League.

(Associated Press)

KHARTUM, Sudan, Nov. 26.—The Egyptian units of the Egyptian army have received orders to evacuate the Sudan forthwith. The fourth battalion already has left. The third battalion with infantry will leave shortly.

Burned Plant To
Be Replaced With
Modern Machines

(Continued from page one)

much of the work as possible shall be left to old employees, some of whom have been with the firm since its birth.

The Holland Blow firm is one of the pioneer industries of this section which has a steady growth since its origin and it has had a great effect on this city, besides other sections. It has had a great influence on the marketing of timber has helped to stabilize river traffic and has contributed a large pay roll in this community for two decades.

The company now operates mills in many other sections of the country, having wide holdings throughout central and north Alabama and some in Tennessee. These mills work for their mutual benefit, dividing their labor and distributing the work, which has greatly influenced the stability the local operations have enjoyed.

Many friends of the Holland-Blow company who are not materially interested in the re-building of the local plant, have through friendship's sake, aided in many ways the work of surveying the territory from which the factory draws its material and have offered information with requests that the firm stay with us.

The Holland-Blow factory has made records in several ways. They operated one factory for 21 years without closing down, during which time there was never a serious accident. The growth from one factory to many was steady, and failure in any section has been unknown. It has kept several employees through its entire existence has never had a strike, and has never before suffered a severe fire.

Blank Forms Are
Sent Service Men

Blank forms are being sent to all recruiting stations for distribution for the convenience of those who are stating in writing that they do not intend to apply for adjusted compensation under the provisions of the World War Adjusted Compensation act.

- (1) Decide for himself promptly, and then to
- (2) Either submit his claim or announce his intention not to apply.

NOTICE

Preaching at the Church of Christ tonight, 7:30, by John F. Crews, of Lawrenceburg, Tenn. Come Adv. It

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Thanksgiving Day

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Today, the merchants listed below are attempting to uphold this old tradition. They are offering you special inducements for Thanksgiving Day in various lines of merchandise.

Specials For Thanksgiving ---and the Balance of This Week

This store is going to be open for your convenience until noon of Thanksgiving day. Just call us and we will deliver on time for your Thanksgiving dinner.

Irish Potatoes per pound	2c
All Brands Evaporated Cream, small can	5c
Maxwell House Coffee, one pound can	48c

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SHAETS & ALEXANDER

Phone Albany 212

Phone Albany 213

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Second Avenue

Albany

After the Thanksgiving Dinner

You wish to go out for a drive into the woods or along the highways, but the wind is disagreeable and the weather has made your car look like a bundle of tin and rust, consequently you stay at home and miss the afternoon enjoyment.

All this can be avoided with a new top and curtains that stands all weather and a new coat of paint that will make the old car look like new. Ask us for prices.

DUFFEY AUTO PAINT AND TOP COMPANY

Second Avenue

Albany

Just As You Sit Down

To that Thanksgiving feast, the fire alarm shrills, the truck dashes to your door, it's your home that is suffering the ravages of the fire demon. Wouldn't it be pleasant to stand by and say "I'm fully covered with insurance, I am fully protected." Don't neglect your duty to your family and your home another day.

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SOUTHERN SHEET METAL WORKS

Phone Albany 58 Second Avenue

Winter Follows Close

On the heels of Thanksgiving day and with it come the disorders in piping systems caused by the cold weather. Better let us take care of these needs immediately and not be bothered later on in the year when frozen pipes and damaged water systems mean discomforts.

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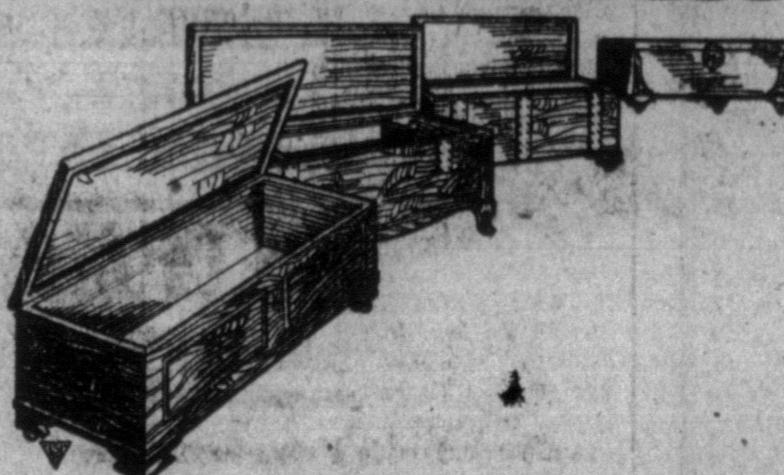
Thanksgiving

Always heralds the coming of the winter months. It begins getting dark early and your lighting system can be more tastefully arranged so as to light up that dark corner of the room and make it one of the cozy spots of the home. We can complete these little lighting arrangements at a small cost to you. Phone Albany 700 and let us figure on the job.

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TENNESSEE VALLEY BANK

On Call From State Banking Department, October 22, 1924.

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$4,413,487.57	Capital Stock	\$225,000.00
Overdrafts	5,388.51	Surplus Fund	225,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	277,800.50	Undivided Profits	and
Banking Houses (16)	107,000.00	Reserves	88,017.81
Furniture & Fixtures	48,251.01	Deposits	75,000.00
Other Real Estate	12,600.00	Total	5,270,257.77
Cash and due from banks	1,953,637.59		
Total	\$5,883,275.58	Total	\$5,883,275.58

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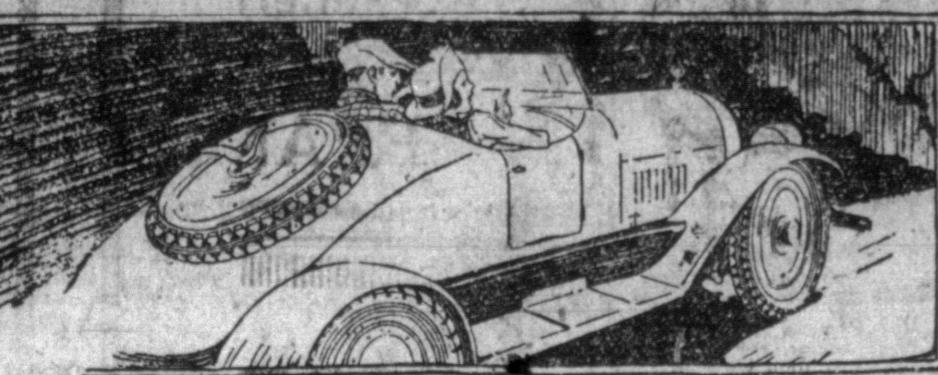
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CHAPTER XXV (continued)

It was a specious answer. Such words—laying stress upon the victories Allah sent him—had before served to disarm his enemies. But they served not now. Instead, they did but fan the flames of Asad's wrath.

"Blaspheme not," he croaked, and his tall form quivered with rage, his sallow old face grew vulnerable. "She was brought thus in secret out of fear that were her presence known thy true purpose must stand revealed."

"And whatever that true purpose may have been," put in Marzak, "it was not the task entrusted thee of raiding the Spanish treasure-galley."

"Tis what I mean, my son," Asad agreed. Then with a commanding gesture—

"Wilt thou tell me without further lies what thy purpose was?" he asked.

"How?" said Sakr-el-Bahr, and he smiled never so faintly. "Hast thou not said that this purpose was revealed by what I did? Rather, then, I think it is for me to ask thee for some such information. I do assure thee, my lord, that it was no part of my intention to neglect the task entrusted me. But just because I feared lest knowledge of her presence might lead my enemies to suppose what thou art now supposing, and perhaps persuade thee to forget all that I have done for the glory of Islam, I determined to bring her secretly aboard.

"My real aim, since you must know it, was to land her somewhere on the coast of France whence she might return to her own land and her own people. That done, I should have set about intercepting the Spanish galley, and never fear but that by Allah's favor I should have succeeded."

"By the horns of Shaitan," swore Marzak, "thrusting himself forward, "he is the very father and mother of lies. Wilt thou explain this desire to be rid of a wife thou hast but wed?"

"Aye," growled Asad. "Canst answer that?"

"Thou shalt hear the truth," said Sakr-el-Bahr.

"The praise to Allah!" mocked Marzak.

"But I warn you," the corsair continued, "that to you it will seem less easy to believe by much than any falsehood I could invent. Years ago in England where I was born I loved this woman and should have taken her to wife. But there were men and circumstances that defamed me to her so that she would not wed me, and I went forth with hatred of her in my heart. Last night the love of her which I believed to be dead and turned to loathing proved to be still a living force. Loving her, I came to see that I had used her unworthily, and I was urged by a desire above all others to undo the evil I had done."

On that he paused, and after an instant's silence Asad laughed angrily and contemptuously.

"Since when has man expressed his love for a woman by putting her from him?" he asked in a voice of scorn that showed the precise value he set upon such a statement.

"I warned thee it would seem incredible," said Sakr-el-Bahr.

"Is it not plain, O my father, that this marriage of his was no more than a pretense?" cried Marzak.

"As plain as the light of day," replied Asad. "Thy marriage with that woman made an impious mock of the true Faith. It was no marriage. It was a blasphemous pretense, thine only aim to thwart me, abusing my regard for the Prophet's Holy Law, and to set her beyond my reach."

He turned to Vigitello, who stood a little behind Sakr-el-Bahr.

"Bid thy men put me this traitor into irons," he said.

"Heaven hath guided thee to a wise decision, O my father!" cried Marzak; his voice jubilant.

But his was the only jubilant note that was sounded, his the only voice that was raised.

"The decision is more like to guide you both to Heaven," replied Sakr-el-Bahr, undaunted. On the instant he had resolved upon his course.

"Stay!" he said, raising his hand to Vigitello, who indeed had shown no sign of stirring. He stepped close up to Asad, and what he said did not go beyond those who stood immediately about the Basha and Rosamund, who strained her ears as she might lose no word of it.

"Do not think, Asad," he said, "that I will submit me like a camel to its burden. Consider thy position well. If I but raise my voice to call my sea-hawks to me, only Allah can tell how many will be left to obey thee. Darest thou put this matter to the test?" he asked, his countenance grave and solemn, but entirely fearless, as of a man in whom there is no doubt of the issue as it concerns himself.

Asad's eyes glittered dully, his color faded to a deathly ashen hue.

"Thou infamous traitor—" he be-

gan in a thick voice, his body quivering with anger.

"Ah no," Sakr-el-Bahr interrupted him. "Were I a traitor, it is what I should have done already, knowing as I do that in any division of our forces numbers will be heavily on my side. Let then my silence prove my unwavering loyalty, Asad. Let it weigh with thee in considering my conduct, not permit thyself to be swayed by Marzak there, who recks nothing so that he vents his petty hatred of me."

"Do not heed him, O my father!" cried Marzak. "It can not be that—"

"Peace!" growled Asad, somewhat stricken on a sudden.

And there was peace whilst the Basha stood moodily combing his white beard, his glittering eyes sweeping from Oliver to Rosamund and back again. He was weighing what Sakr-el-Bahr had said. He more than feared that it might be no more than true, and he realized that if he were to provoke a mutiny here he would be putting all to the test, setting all upon a throw in which the dice might well be clogged against him.

If Sakr-el-Bahr prevailed, he would prevail not merely aboard this galley, but throughout Algiers, and Asad would be cast down never to rise again. On the other hand, if he bared his scimitar and called upon the faithful to support him, if might chance that, recognizing in him the exalted of Allah to whom their loyalty was due, they would rally to him. He even thought it might be probable. Yet the stake he put upon the board was too vast. The game appalled him, whom nothing yet had appalled, and it scarce needed a muttered caution from Biskaine to determine him to hold his hand.

He looked at Sakr-el-Bahr again, his glance now sullen. "I will consider thy words," he announced in a voice that was unsteady. "I would not be unjust nor steer my course by appearances alone. Allah forbid!"

CHAPTER XXVI

SHEIK MAT

Under the inquisitive gaping stare of Sakr-el-Bahr stood Rosamund and Sakr-el-Bahr regarding each other in silence for a little spell after the Basha's departure. The very galaxy-slaves, stirred from their habitual lethargy by happenings so curious and unusual, craned their sinewy necks to peer at them with a flicker of interest in their dull, weary eyes.

Sakr-el-Bahr's feelings as he considered Rosamund's white face in the fading light were most oddly conflicting. Dismay at what had befallen and some anxious dread of what must follow were leavened by a certain measure of relief.

He realized that in no case could her concealment have continued long. Eleven mortal hours had she spent in the cramped and almost suffocating space of that pannier, in which he had intended to do no more than carry her aboard. The uneasiness which had been occasioned him by the impossibility to deliver her from that close confinement when Asad had announced his resolve to accompany them upon that voyage had steadily been increasing as hour succeeded hour, and still he found no way to release her from a situation in which sooner or later, when the limits of her endurance were reached, her presence must be betrayed.

This release, which he could not have contrived, had been contrived for him by the suspicions and malice of Marzak. That was the one grain of consolation in the present peril to himself, who mattered nothing, and to her, who mattered all. Adversity had taught him to prize benefits, however slight, and to confront perils, however overwhelming. So he hugged the present slender benefit, and resolutely braced himself to deal with the situation as he found it, taking the fullest advantage of the hesitancy which his words had sown in the heart of the Basha.

He hugged, too, the thought that as things had fallen out, from being oppressor and oppressed, Rosamund and he were become fellows in misfortune, sharing now a common peril. He found it a sweet thought to dwell on. Therefore was it that he faintly smiled as he looked into Rosamund's white, strained face.

That smile evoked from her the question that had been burdening her mind.

"What now? What now?" she asked huskily, and held out appealing hands to him.

"Now," said he coolly, "let us be thankful that you are delivered from quarters destructive both to comfort and to dignity. Let me lead you to those I had prepared for you, which you would have occupied long since but for the ill-timed coming of Asad. Come."

And he waved an inviting hand toward the gangway leading to the poop.

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